

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A facsimile machine has a base unit and a plurality of handsets. The base unit receives e-mail data from a remote center, and the handsets receive e-mail data via the base unit. When one of the base unit and the handsets requests the remote center to transmit e-mail data, a CPU of the base unit allows only the one that makes the request to receive and store therein the e-mail data.